

## BIOFUELS

This letter is in regard to the recent public hearings at the statehouse on Tuesday 7/27/10 and at Holyoke Community College on Wednesday 7/28/10 with regard to the subject of BIOFuels.

In general I am opposed to the use of "Biofuels as an alternative for Fossil fuels such as Oil and coal.

There are some people that support the concept of BIOFUELS that advertise a position that the use of present forest wood stock is a positive process because the replanted replacement forest tree canopy will absorb the released carbon dioxide gases from the atmosphere.

This position is both misleading and false.

A relatively recent study of the release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere refutes that fundamentally flawed concept.

The study from HARVARD University indicates that 25% or more of the carbon dioxide gases released into the atmosphere is absorbed by the oceans.

Recently additional publications have indicated that the concentration of carbon dioxide in the oceans is increasing logarithmically.

The resultant contamination of the oceans with carbolic acids is negatively altering the ocean environment for all oceanic life forms.

The assumption that replanted forest canopy will absorb carbon dioxide gasses is again fundamentally flawed.

Upon the release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere the re-absorption of those gases is not controllable.

"We" do not have any control or influence over the absorption of CO2 into a deciduous tree or a conifer or any other plant form.

CO2 released into the atmosphere may well be absorbed by a horesechestnut or by a cedar or by a mangrove or any other plant form.

The present day process of clear cutting present day forest stock near water reservoirs is myopic.

"We" all have learned of the damage to the environment from forest cutting near water stocks and water supplies.

The concept of harvesting forest products for today's gains is very short-sighted for the long term future of subsequent generations

I would hope that the department of DOER would oppose forest strip farming and the generation of fossil fuels from wood products.

The need to remove this society immediately from the hazards of OIL and COAL products is quite emphatic and obvious.

However, "WE" do not need to replace these CO2 products with even more uncontrollable carbon dioxide generators.

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